



Older Adult Advisory Committee

Commissioner Barbara Zinner - Older Adult Advisory Committee Chair
Commissioner James M. Perna - Older Adult Advisory Committee Vice Chair

District 1 – Tom Matthews
District 2 – Vacant
District 3 – Philip Randazzo
District 4 – Kathy Western
District 5 – Barbara VanSyckel
District 6 – Moira Smith

District 7 – Marcia Relyea
District 8 – Joe Silbernagel
District 9 – Jennifer Hammel
District 10 – Carol Weidenbach
District 11 – Carole Wiseman
District 12 – Suzanne Ostosh

District 13 – Vacant
At-Large – Rochelle Fuqua
At-Large – Kathleen Rubino
At-Large – Carol Thompson
At-Large – Vacant

MINUTES APPROVED MARCH 25, 2025

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, February 25, 2025, 3:00 PM

COMMITTEE: Older Adult Advisory Committee, an advisory committee to the Board of Commissioners

COMMITTEE CHAIR: Commissioner Barbara Zinner

LOCATION: Administration Building, One South Main Street, 9th Floor, Mount Clemens, MI 48043

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson at 03:01 PM in the Administration Building, 1 South Main Street, 9th Floor, Mount Clemens, Michigan 48043.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Attendance Roll Call

Present: Rochelle Fuqua, Jennifer Hammel, James M. Perna, Tom Matthews, Suzanne Ostosh, Marcia Relyea, Kathleen Rubino, Joe Silbernagel, Moira Smith, Carol Thompson, Barbara VanSyckel, Carol Weidenbach, Kathy Western, Carole Wiseman, Barbara Zinner
Absent: Betty Bishop, Vito Pianello, Philip Randazzo

4. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda dated Tuesday, February 25, 2025. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motioned by: Carol Thompson

Seconded by: Jennifer Hammel

Vote Summary: (15 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Rochelle Fuqua, Jennifer Hammel, Tom Matthews, Suzanne Ostosh, James M. Perna, Marcia Relyea, Kathleen Rubino, Joe Silbernagel, Moira Smith, Carol Thompson, Barbara VanSyckel, Carol Weidenbach, Kathy Western, Carole Wiseman, Barbara Zinner

Nay - None

Abstain - None

5. Approval of Minutes

a) dated January 28, 2025

Motion to approve the minutes dated Tuesday, January 28, 2025. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motioned by: Kathy Western

Seconded by: Tom Matthews

Vote Summary: (15 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Rochelle Fuqua, Jennifer Hammel, Tom Matthews, Suzanne Ostosh, James M. Perna, Marcia Relyea, Kathleen Rubino, Joe Silbernagel, Moira Smith, Carol Thompson, Barbara VanSyckel, Carol Weidenbach, Kathy Western, Carole Wiseman, Barbara Zinner

Nay - None

Abstain - None

6. Public Participation (three minutes max per speaker related only to issues on the agenda)

None

7. Presentations

- a) Wayne State University - Institute of Gerontology: Addressing Isolation and Loneliness in Macomb County's Aging Population / Thomas B. Jankowski, PhD, Interim Director, Institute of Gerontology
Motion to receive and file the presentation Addressing Isolation and Loneliness in Macomb County's Aging Population. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motioned by: Carol Thompson

Seconded by: Suzanne Ostosh

Vote Summary: (15 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Rochelle Fuqua, Jennifer Hammel, Tom Matthews, Suzanne Ostosh, James M. Perna, Marcia Relyea, Kathleen Rubino, Joe Silbernagel, Moira Smith, Carol Thompson, Barbara VanSyckel, Carol Weidenbach, Kathy Western, Carole Wiseman, Barbara Zinner

Nay - None

Abstain - None

8. Committee Items

- a) Recommendation to Board of Commissioners: Social Isolation Survey
Motion to create a survey of older adults (60+) on the topic of social isolation to recommend the Board of Commissioners (BOC) conduct through the tools available in the BOC constituent management software. THE MOTION FAILED DUE TO LACK OF A MAJORITY OF MEMBERS SERVING.

Motioned by: Suzanne Ostosh

Seconded by: Tom Matthews

Vote Summary: (9 - 6 - 0)

Aye - Rochelle Fuqua, Jennifer Hammel, Tom Matthews, Suzanne Ostosh, James M. Perna, Kathleen Rubino, Carol Thompson, Carol Weidenbach, Barbara Zinner

Nay - Marcia Relyea, Joe Silbernagel, Moira Smith, Barbara VanSyckel, Kathy Western, Carole Wiseman

Abstain - None

- b) Memo from OAAC Chair Barbara Zinner dated February 19, 2025 RE: Audit of OAAC Members
Motion to receive and file the memo from OAAC Chair Barbara Zinner dated February 19, 2025 regarding audit of OAAC members. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motioned by: Carol Thompson
Seconded by: Kakhleen Rubino

Vote Summary: (15 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Rochelle Fuqua, Jennifer Hammel, Tom Matthews, Suzanne Ostosh, James M. Perna, Marcia Relyea, Kathleen Rubino, Joe Silbernagel, Moira Smith, Carol Thompson, Barbara VanSyckel, Carol Weidenbach, Kathy Western, Carole Wiseman, Barbara Zinner

Nay - None

Abstain - None

c) BOC Monthly Updates: February 2025 - *No updates*

d) OAAC Action Item Tracker - *No updates*

9. District Reports from Members

Speakers

Kathy Western

10. Public Participation (three minutes max per speaker)

None

11. Comments from Members

None

12. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the February 25, 2025 meeting at 04:41 PM. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motioned by: Kathleen Rubino

Seconded by: Rochelle Fuqua

Vote Summary: (15 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Rochelle Fuqua, Jennifer Hammel, Tom Matthews, Suzanne Ostosh, James M. Perna, Marcia Relyea, Kathleen Rubino, Joe Silbernagel, Moira Smith, Carol Thompson, Barbara VanSyckel, Carol Weidenbach, Kathy Western, Carole Wiseman, Barbara Zinner

Nay - None

Abstain - None